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1970-71 BUDGET CALLS FOR \$3.5 MILLION INCREASE

OU submitted its proposed 1970-71 budget to the MSU Board of Trustees last Friday asking for \$3,495,041 over-all increase. The proposed budget is \$14,091,457 as compared with \$10,596,416 for the current fiscal year. It calls for a \$3,004,351 increase in state appropriation and a \$420,690 increase in revenue from student fees, reflecting an anticipated growth in enrollment of 587 students. Of the total requested increase, \$2,045,380 would cover salaries and wages, \$244,554 increases in retirement and fringe benefits and \$1,205,107 increases in supplies and services.

Major items in the increased budget at \$603,500 for salaries of 56 additional faculty members, \$706,044 to provide wage hikes of 10.3 percent, \$282,256 for physical plant growth and maintenance, \$250,000 to step up the University's Urban Affairs Program, \$219,345 in additional library support, \$161,645 for computer services, \$150,000 for additional financial aid for disadvantaged students, and \$130,901 to cover an inflationary allowance of 5 percent.

Chancellor Varner announced at the University's Tenth Anniversary Convocation earlier this fall that he would seek \$250,000 for the Urban Affairs Program, which is charged with the job of relating all of the University's resources to the problems of inner cities. The added funds would be used primarily in the city of Pontiac for a pilot program to reinstate high school and junior high dropouts into some kind of human development facility, Varner told the trustees in his budget presentation. "Both the Pontiac schools and Oakland Community College have expressed cooperation and willingness to participate in the development of this kind of program which will attempt to avert this continuing destruction of human talent and accumulation of human degredation," Varner said.

TWO GRANTS ACCEPTED

Two major grants were among the numerous gifts and grants to OU accepted last week by the MSU Board of Trustees.

One, in the amount of \$25,170, is from Pontiac Motors Division of General Motors Corp. to provide scholarship support, under the direction of Dean of Students Thomas B. Dutton. The Other was a \$9,300 grant from National Science Foundation to support chemistry department research, under the direction of Kenneth Harmon, on synthesis of polymers prepared from tropenylium, carboranes and borane anions.

B.S. DEGREE AT ISSUE

An open meeting to consider the question, "Should the College of Arts and Sciences offer the bachelor of science degree?" will be held at 4 p.m. Thursday in 156 North Foundation Hall.

All faculty members and students of the College are invited to attend and speak.

NEW ROAD WILL LINK WALTON BOULEVARD WITH NORTH MEADOW BROOK DRIVE

A new entrance to the campus off Walton Boulevard will be provided in a \$300,000 internal road system project approved last week by the MSU Board of Trustees, The entrance will be located about a quarter of a mile west of the entrance to the Meadow Brook Festival grounds and it will tie into a new road running parallel to Walton and connecting with North Meadow Brook Drive in front of Vandenberg Hall. This part of the roadway, about a half-mile long, will be asphalt surfaced. A new gravel road also is included in the project to run about 800 feet southward to Pavilion Drive, which extends from beside the Sports and Recreation Building to the Festival grounds.

M & B Construction Co. of Warren received the contract on its low bid of \$185,170. Bids from eight other firms ranged from \$213,347 to \$266,352. Contingency funds, architect fees and charges for borings and inspection comprise the rest of the \$300,000 cost, which will be paid out of state funds. The contract calls for the work to be completed by May, but the contractor said he hopes to finish the job during December.

The University's 1969 United Fund coordinating committee reports that as of last week 108 employees have turned in their pledges. If you have delayed making your pledge, please get it in today so that it can be included in the report to be made to United Fund headquarters this Thursday. Donations designated for the Avon Township Community Chest will be credited to the University quota if made to a member of the coordinating committee, but not if made directly to an Avon Township solicitor. Some have asked questions about the United Fund drive conducted on campus last March. It was a delay of the campaign that should have been held in October of 1968.

STUDENTS VOTE 'NO' A referendum asking the students whether they wanted to continue to pay a publications fee to support the Observer resulted in 638 votes against the issue and 252 for it. The Board of Publications forwarded the results to Chancellor Varner with the recommendation that the MSU Board of Trustees follow the wishes of the students. If approved by the trustees, students will not be charged the \$2 a semester fee, beginning next semester. The Observer has been receiving \$1.50 from this fee, the balance going into a contingency fund held by the Board of Publications.

SINGER GIVES PAPER Philip Singer (Allport College-sociology and anthropology) presented a paper entitled "Family For What?" last week at the Child Study Association of America Forum in New York City. The theme for the forum was "Parents in the Crucible of Change." Other speakers included Dr. John R. Seeley, Dr. L. Joseph Stone and Richard Goodwin.

ARTICLE PUBLISHED El. N. Botsas (economics and management) is the author an article entitled "A Noté on Migration and the Balance of Payments," published in a recent edition of *Economia Internazionale*.

FOURSOME OF WINNERS

Hal Cafone (education) won the grand prize and John Dovaras (music), Del Milbocker (food service) and Jennie Cross (library) won the advisory board elections at last week's annual meeting of the MSU Credit Unior Service Center. Cafone's prize was a Sears camping trailer.

Adeline Hirschfeld, assistant professor of speech in the College of Arts and Science, delivered a paper entitled "Communication Training Through Life-like Classroom Experiences" at the fall conference of the Michigan Speech Association held recently in Battle Creek.

CALENDAR

Monday October 20	11:00 a.m.	Oakland Center Brown Bag Film Series, "Assault on Life," Gold Room (reshown at 1 p.m.)
Tuesday October 21	7:30 p.m.	"Religious Art: A Do-It-Yourself Course" taught by Sr. Mary Andre Van Gilder, continues at St. John Fisher Chapel (second of eight weekly sessions). Open to all. Fee \$10. For information and registration call ext. 2040.
Wednesday October 22	2:00 p.m.	University Speaker Series, Julian Bond, Sports and Recreation Building.
	3:30 p.m.	Cinema Guild film, "Marat/Sade," 201 Dodge Hall
	4:00 p.m.	Soccer, Albion (here)
Friday October 24	8:00 p.m.	Wilson Weekend concert, Young Holt Unlimited, Sports and Recreation Building
	7:30 p.m.	University Film Series, "The Comedians," 201 Dodge Hall (reshown at 10)
Saturday October 25	1:00 p.m.	Cross Country, Oakland Invitational (here)
	2:00 p.m.	Soccer, Lake Superior College (away)
	8:00 p.m.	University Film Series, "The Comedians," 201 Dodge Hall
Sunday October 26	-8:00 p.m.	University Film Series, "The Comedians," 201 Dodge Hall

At Meadow Brook Theatre through November 2, The American Dream by Edward Albee and Black Comedy by Peter Shaffer. Performance times are 8:15 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, 6:30 p.m. Sunday and 2 p.m. for Wednesday matinees.